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Christopher J. Graziano  
United Water New York  
2525 Palmer Avenue  
New Rochelle, NY 10801

RE: Safe Drinking Water Act Information (Docket No. SDWA-PWS-IR-16-003)  
United Water New York (PWS ID: NY4303673)

Dear Mr. Graziano:

The United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), Region 2, is responsible for assuring that Public Water Systems (PWSs) in New York State deliver safe drinking water under the authority of the Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA). Section 1445(a)(1)(B) of the SDWA, as amended, 42 U.S.C. §300j-4(a)(1)(B), and 40 C.F.R. Part 141 Subpart D provide the EPA with the authority to require the submittal of information necessary to verify compliance with federal drinking water standards.

On January 4, 2006, EPA promulgated the Stage 2 Disinfectants and Disinfection Byproducts Rule ("Stage 2 DBPR"), regulated under 40 C.F.R. Part 141, Subparts U and V, to provide for increased public health protection against the potential risks for cancer and reproductive developmental health effects associated with disinfection byproducts ("DBPs"). The Stage 2 DBPR introduced a new method for calculating compliance with the maximum contaminant levels ("MCL") for total trihalomethanes ("TTHM") and haloacetic acids ("HAA5"), referred to as the locational running annual average ("LRAA").

Based on information contained in the Safe Drinking Water Information System (SDWIS), United Water New York is a community water system that adds a primary or residual disinfectant other than ultraviolet light. United Water New York is therefore, subject to the requirements of the Stage 2 DBPR, as per 40 C.F.R. Part 141 Subparts U and V.

Within thirty (30) days of receipt of this letter, EPA requests that United Water New York submit the following information:

1. Copy of Stage 2 DBPR Compliance Monitoring Plan;
2. Copies of laboratory analytical reports for all TTHM and HAA5 compliance samples taken from January 2013 to present;
3. Copy of public notice provided to consumers for any violations of 40 C.F.R. Part 141, Subpart U as required by 40 C.F.R. Part 141 Subpart Q.

4. Description of the conditions in the PWS that resulted in or may have contributed to the TTHM MCL violations and information on steps the system is planning to take to reduce TTHM levels in the water system.

Please submit this information to:

Nicole Foley Kraft, Chief  
Groundwater Compliance Section  
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency - Region 2  
290 Broadway, 20<sup>th</sup> Floor  
New York, NY 10007-1866  
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Please be advised that, under Section 1445(c) of the SDWA, 42 U.S.C. §300j-4(c), and 40 C.F.R. §19.4, Table 1, failure to provide information required by this letter may result in a civil penalty of up to \$37,500. In addition, under SDWA Section 1414(g), 42 U.S.C. §300g-3(g), failure to provide the information required by this letter may result in an order requiring compliance. Violation of such an order may lead to sanctions under SDWA Section 1414, 42 U.S.C. §300g-3, and 40 C.F.R. §19.4, Table 1, which include penalties of up to \$32,500 per day of violation. The information provided in response to this letter may be used by the United States in administrative, civil or criminal proceedings.

You may, if you so desire, assert a confidential business information (CBI) claim covering any or all of the information furnished to EPA in response to this letter. Every CBI claim must be made in a manner described in 40 C.F.R. Part 2, Subpart B, and must be fully substantiated with documentary evidence which shows how the claim meets each and every criterion listed in 40 C.F.R. §§2.208 and 2.304. If no CBI claim accompanies your information when it is received by EPA, it may be made available to the public by EPA without further notice to you.

This request for information is not subject to review by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) under the Paperwork Reduction Act because it is not an "information collection request" within the meaning of 44 U.S.C. §§3502(4) & (11), 3507, 3512, and 3518. Furthermore, it is exempt from OMB review under the Paperwork Reduction Act because it is directed to fewer than ten persons. 44 U.S.C. §§3502(4), (11); 5 C.F.R. §1320.5(a).

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please call me at (212) 637-4244 or Nicole Foley Kraft of my staff at (212) 637-3093.

Sincerely,



Douglas McKenna, Chief  
Water Compliance Branch

cc: Judi Hunderfund, P.E., Rockland County Department of Health  
Roger C. Sokol, NYSDOH